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BY ECF

Honorable Katharine H. Parker
United States District Judge
Southern District of New York

Re: DeLuca, et al., v. City of New York et al., 21 Civ. 10777(AJN)(KHP)

Your Honor:

I am a Senior Counsel in the Special Federal Litigation Division of the New York City Law Department and the attorney assigned to the above-referenced matter. I write to respectfully request that the Court adjourn the settlement conference presently scheduled for January 5, 2023, to a date after January 23, 2023. I have conferred with plaintiff's counsel who consents to this request.

By way of background, I have today filed a notice of appearance in this matter and will be the attorney from the Office of Corporation Counsel handling this matter from this point forward. I have today returned from parental leave and will require additional time to become familiar with the file, confer with the previous ACC assigned, and have conversations with plaintiff's counsel regarding any previous settlement discussions. I have spoken to Mr. Oliver today and he has forwarded me some information regarding his view of the case. I would like to engage in the most meaningful settlement conference possible with the Court and Mr. Oliver, and to that end, now respectfully request that the Court adjourn the January 5th settlement conference date to one amenable to the Court and parties after January 23, 2023.

I thank the Court for its consideration of this matter.

Respectfully Submitted,

/s

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